

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q77594

Jean STEINMETZ, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/670,513

Group Art Unit: 1742

Confirmation No.: 8638

Examiner: Lois L. ZHENG

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For: METHOD FOR TREATING METAL SURFACES BY CARBOXYLATION

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

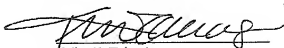
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of September 6, 2006, from December 6, 2006 to February 6, 2007.

The statutory fee of \$450.00 is charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880, via EFS payment screen. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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